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Prof Cabell Pres't Nat. Board of Health, May 6th 79
to Dr W. Mitchell

1524 Walnut St.
Philadelphia.

I would be immensely obliged to you for any hints touching the methods of investigating Yellow Fever in the place of its endemicity. It will shortly devolve upon us to give instructions to a commission to be sent to Cuba. Dr. Lehaillé of New-Orleans will be the chief of the commission, and he seems inclined to believe that the study must be wholly clinical and pathological. He has talent, industry, energy and attainments. I confess that I have entertained hopes of reaching some useful results by search for a physiological test of the poison, and — shall I say it? — for a possible isolation and culture of a specific germ — after Pasteur's method — As he well observes, some hypothesis seems necessary as a guide to research, and a legitimate scientific hypothesis can do no harm, if we hold it simply as provisional, and are ready to abandon it when disproved by the observations which it suggests —

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have no suggestions to make

Dear Sir,

I have received the enclosed communication from the Chairman of the National Board of Health, with the request that I obtain answers as soon as possible.

I beg you will therefore give the matter your earnest and immediate attention, and return to me your reply that I may forward it to the Chairman -

I think it probable that there will be a meeting of the Com-

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mittees of the National Academy
and of the Board of Health from
time in December -

I am, dear Sir

very truly yours

Wm Mitchell

Dr. George Engelmann

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to meet the Committee
- N York

Dear Sir,

A meeting of the Commi-
ttee appointed by the National
Academy to confer with the Na-
tional Board of Health will
meet for organisation and con-
sultation Oct. 29th at 12 M. at Co-
lumbia College N.Y. Please let
me know if you will be present.

Very truly Yours

Wm Mitchell

George Engelmann M.D.

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Dated, Washington Dec 18

To G H Engelmann

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Dec 18 1879.

Conference Committee of naval academy have agreed with naval board of health on report to Congress would like to have permission to append all the signatures answer to Immediately

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